

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

A1 [Paragraph beginning at page 2, line 12]: With the ever-growing size and popularity of the World Wide Web has come an increasingly difficult challenge: providing users with high-quality mechanisms for searching and navigating an enormous and diverse quantity of information. Users attempting to locate information on the Web often begin by running a search on one of several freely-available search engines, such as those found at "www.yahoo.com", "www.infoseek.com", and the like. Such search engines generally perform some form of keyword search on web documents, and return a list of "hits" representing pages or websites having information relevant to the keyword.

A2 [Paragraph beginning at page 16, line 4]: In one embodiment, a "host" is defined as a domain containing a set of pages, such as for example "www.yahoo.com". However, depending on the nature of the document set, "host" may be defined as any collective group or set of documents.

A3 [Paragraph beginning at page 16, line 16]: The system starts 200 by assigning initial values to HostSet, UrlSet, and Samples. For example, HostSet may be set to a popular website such as "www.yahoo.com"; UrlSet("www.yahoo.com") may be set to {"www.yahoo.com"}; UrlSet(h) may be set to {} for all other hosts h; and Samples may be set to [].